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chemokine 1 receptor or a CXR4 receptor. Preferred chemokines include, but are not limited to Regulated upon Activation, Normal T cell Expressed, and presumably Secreted (RANTES), Macrophage Inflammatory Protein-1 α (MIP-1 α), or SDF. --

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In the Claims:

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Please amend claims 8-~~16~~, 23, 24, 33, 35, 38, and 39, without prejudice, as follows:

8. (Amended) The expression vector of claim 1, wherein said chemokine gene encodes a chemokine that binds to a C-C chemokine 5 receptor, a C-C chemokine 3 receptor, a C-C chemokine 1 receptor or a CXR4 receptor.

9. (Amended) The expression vector of claim 1, wherein said chemokine gene encodes a chemokine that binds to a C-C chemokine 5 receptor.

10. (Amended) The expression vector of claim 1, wherein said chemokine gene encodes a chemokine that binds to a C-C chemokine 3 receptor.

11. (Amended) The expression vector of claim 1, wherein said chemokine gene encodes a chemokine that binds to a C-C chemokine 1 receptor.

12. (Amended) The expression vector of claim 1, wherein said chemokine gene encodes a chemokine that binds to a CXR4 receptor.

13. (Amended) The expression vector of claim 2, wherein the secreted chemokine is RANTES (Regulated upon Activation, Normal T cell Expressed, and presumably Secreted), MIP-1 α (Macrophage Inflammatory Protein-1 α), or SDF (stromal cell derived factor-1).